



SENATE RESOLUTION

MR. PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Linda Paust for her many years of leadership and dedicated service to the political process in the State of Indiana.

Whereas, Linda Paust has shown an interest in politics throughout her life. Upon graduating from Earlham College in 1965 with a degree in political science, she enjoyed a long career in education, teaching U.S. Government at Northeastern High School in Fountain City for 19 years;

Whereas, Linda gained her first hands-on experience in politics serving as a volunteer for Congressman David Dennis. Then, beginning in 1980, Linda became active in the Wayne County Republican Party, serving as a precinct committeeman;

Whereas, Linda's involvement progressed as she continued to serve in various capacities, including President of the Wayne County Republican Women's Club in 1982 and Wayne County Republican Vice Chairman in 1986. However, due to a conflict with her teaching career, Linda was forced to resign as Vice Chairman in 1987:

Whereas, despite this conflict, Linda was able to maintain



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an active role in politics by serving as a precinct committeeman, ward chairman, and delegate to the State Republican Convention;

Whereas, after her retirement from teaching in 1990, Linda again served as Wayne County Republican Vice Chairman in 1996. When the Chairman resigned to pursue another opportunity, Linda filled this position for the remaining year of his term. Then in 1997, Linda was elected to serve another four year term as Wayne County Republican Chairman;

Whereas, Linda's commitment to politics was recognized when she was named an Indiana Tribute to Women 1982 Honoree for outstanding service and dedication to the Indiana Republican Party and more recently when she was named an alternate delegate to the 2000 Republican National Convention: and

Whereas, in addition to Linda's numerous contributions to the Wayne County Republican Party, she has also served her community as a member of the Whitewater Opera Board of Directors, the Board of Civic Hall Performing Arts, and the Urban Enterprise Association. Linda currently serves on the Reid Hospital Foundation Board and the Richmond Redevelopment Commission: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes Linda Paust for her years of dedicated service to Wayne County and Indiana politics and congratulates her on her retirement from the position of Wayne County Republican Chairman.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to



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transmit copies of this Resolution to Linda Paust; her husband, Ken Paust; and her children, Jim Backmeyer and Renee Backmeyer.

